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Group Art Unit: 2622

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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE,  
IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE, AND  
INFORMATION CLASSIFICATION  
PROCESSING METHOD

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the official action dated November 23, 2009  
Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.